

MINUTE ITEM

4. LONG BEACH SUBSIDENCE PROBLEM - W.O. 2525.5.

Mr. Carr reported that he had heard that the Navy was seriously considering closing two shipyards for reasons of economy, and that if action was not prompt on the subsidence alleviation problem, the Long Beach shipyard might be lost.

Mr. Cranston stated that he had been informed in Washington, D.C., during the week of September 28 that there will be cutbacks in Navy shipyards and that if repressurization does not work effectively or if ownership controversies impede the program in Long Beach, then the Long Beach shipyard will be forced to suspend operations and move.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED THAT AN INQUIRY BE DIRECTED TO ADMIRAL JAMES, CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF SHIPS, WITH COPIES TO MR. CHARLES VICKERS, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE PORT OF LONG BEACH, TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF LONG BEACH, AND TO THE LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL, REQUESTING REPORT AS TO WHETHER THE SUBSIDENCE ALLEVIATION OPERATIONS BEING CONDUCTED IN THE NAVAL SHIPYARD AREA AND THE RATES OF WATER INJECTION ARE SATISFACTORY TO THE NAVY DEPARTMENT.